



Quabbin Art Association

General Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: December 21, 2017

<http://www.quabbinartassociation.com>

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**Board Member Attendees:**

Denise Fontaine-Pincince, Co-President  
Jen Turner, Co-President  
Susan Shea, Vice President  
Deborah Sacon, Treasurer  
Donna Cote, Secretary  
Sandra Burke, Board Member  
Bev Phaneuf, Board Member

*Minutes*

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**Agenda item:** Welcome New Members!

Amy Crawley  
Roger Duffy

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**Agenda item:** Volunteers Wanted

There is an opening on the Volunteer Committee for an Exhibit Hanging Chair  
View the Job Description on our Website Exhibits Page > Member Notices  
Please contact Denise Fontaine-Pincince to volunteer at [dcfontaine@yahoo.com](mailto:dcfontaine@yahoo.com)

Jen Turner is managing our Social Media Posting and seeks a volunteer. Please contact [jenturn@gmail.com](mailto:jenturn@gmail.com) for more information.

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**Agenda item:** QAA Board Decisions and Questions

- Strategic Vision Meeting scheduled January 11 for a 4-hour session to discuss long-term goals and strategy. Please contact a [Board member](#) if you wish to provide input.
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**Agenda item:** Treasurer's Report

Collected Dues and Exhibit money = \$1,196 Balance

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**Agenda item:** Shows/Exhibits

- Bay State Medical Center Members Artwork Take-Down will be provided by Denise. Please plan to pick-up your items from Denise on the 10<sup>th</sup> at 40 South Main St. Belchertown.

- Storrs Memorial Library: Take-Down: 12/29, 10:30am

Members please pick-up your artwork or find a friend to help transport your work from Storrs. Thank you to the 29 artist members who participated. With your help we exhibited a total of 39 artwork pieces.

*Congratulations to Denise Fontaine- Pincince on her artwork sale!*

- Woodstar Café Northampton, MA

Exhibit Dates: January 30 through April 16, 2018 (No Receptions) 10% commission on sales and replacement pieces are required within 72 hours on sold items.

11 weeks total we hang and take down on Monday at 6pm

6 weeks paintings – No 3D work

5 weeks photography

We take paintings down and put up the photographs

1 piece per person (1 painting and 1 photograph allowed)

Paintings only Hang: Monday, January 29 @ 6 pm.

Take Down: Monday, March 12th @ 6 p.m.

Photography only Hang: Monday, March 12th @ 6 p.m.

Take Down: April 16th @ 6 p.m.

If you cannot drop off your pieces or take down on the scheduled days and times, please contact a member who can help transport your artwork.

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**Agenda item:** Hospitality

Thank you for all who contribute to our food and beverage table and to Darlene for her creatively beautiful thematic display.

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**Agenda item:** Programs Demonstrations

Les Campbell and Elaine Darr-Morton presented “Mounting, Matt Cutting and Framing Your Work” for members and guests of the Quabbin Art Association at our December meeting. Thank you for helping us to learn the art of framing our work. Les and Elaine are scheduled to present their “Hands On Matting and Framing Workshops” at Sky Meadow Gallery in 2018. [Sign-up information available here](#)

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**Agenda item:** Membership

Sandy Burke announced the dues of \$25/year and membership forms available at meeting. Payment may be mailed to P.O. Box 216, Belchertown, MA 01007

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**Agenda item:** Social Media

Jen Turner boosted a paid sponsor post to increase our visibility on Facebook.

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**Agenda item: Website**

Member Gallery Page building is in progress! Linda Snow and Nancy Birmingham brought their artwork to our meeting for Donna to photograph and build their gallery pages. Members are encouraged to bring artwork to meetings if help is needed to photograph artwork.

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**Agenda item: Historian**

Sandy Burke and Suzanne Dudley requested members bring business cards to our next meeting to include as part of our 1<sup>st</sup> year yearbook.

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**Agenda item: Workshops/Education**

Susan Shea plans on hold for Open Studio at this time.

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***Other Information***

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**Member Announcements**

Jen Turner met with various town officials and they are reviewing potential space to develop arts community in Belchertown. Mission to have hanging space on rotating basis for artwork exhibits.

The Amherst Public Art Commission is now accepting applications to exhibit in the Amherst Town Hall Gallery for 2018-2019

Applications may be completed online at <https://www.amherstma.gov/FormCenter/Public-Art-Commission-26/Application-for-Amherst-Exhibits-105>

Members are invited to bring brochures, flyers, postcards and other announcements regarding their exhibits and workshops to display on our Members Table at our general meetings.